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## FROM MAESTRONE

- 1. ACCORDING TO EMBASSY EXPERIENCE AND AVAILABLE INFORMATION, THERE IS NO SPECIFIC EXCLUSION OF PERSONS OF JEWISH FAITH FROM ENTRY INTO EGYPT. WHEN REQUESTED, EGYPTIAN AUTHORITIES ISSUE AIRPORT VISAS (TRANSIT AND TOURIST) ON BASIS "ARRIVAL" CARD (FILLED OUT BY ALL DISEMBARKING PASSENGERS), WHICH DOES NOT REQUEST INFORMATION CONCERNING RELIGION.
- 2. HOWEVER, OTHER FORMS USED IN EGYPT, WITH NO KNOWN EXCEPTION, WHETHER FOR ALIENS OR EGYPTIAN CITIZENS, REQUEST UNCLASSIFIED

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RELIGION. SUCH FORMS INCLUDE APPLICATIONS BY ALIENS FOR

## EXTENSION OF RESIDENCE PERMITS.

- 3. WE ARE NOT FAMILIAR WITH TYPE OF INFORMATION REQUESTED ON VISA APPLICATION FORMS USED BY EGYPTIAN EMBASSIES.
- 4. EMBASSY HAS HAD CONTACT WITH A NUMBER OF US CITIZENS OF JEWISH FAITH, INCLUDING SOME PROMINENT RABBIS VISITING HERE. THESE PERSONS HAVE REPORTED NO DIFFICULTY IN OBTAINING ENTRY INTO EGYPT, AND CERTAIN RABBIS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED BY SENIOR GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, INCLUDING MINISTER OF WAKFS (RELIGIOUS AFFAIRS). EILTS

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